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In re application of: HARVESTING MACHINE

For: Konrad Weber et al.

DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In compliance with 37 CFR 1.56 and guided by 37 CFR 1.97 - 1.99, applicants respectfully submit the following information including copies of the documents listed on the attached form.

REMARKS

DE 196 32 977, listed on the accompanying Information Disclosure Citation, is described in the Background of the Invention.

US Patent Number 6,052,978 discloses a forage harvester feed device, including a variable speed planetary transmission, which can be reversed.

Respectfully,


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	6,052,978	04/2000	Kempf	56	119	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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OTHER DOCUMENTS *(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)*

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